

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE RAUL RUIZ, M.D.

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CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATION APPLICATION *MILITARY SERVICE ACADEMIES*



Thank you for your interest in obtaining a congressional nomination to the United States Military Academies. This completed application, along with supporting documents detailed below, must be delivered to the Indio office, or postmarked by **Friday, November 3rd, 2023**, to be considered for a congressional nomination. Please note that only California's 25th Congressional District residents may be considered for a congressional nomination.

Each year, I have the privilege to nominate outstanding young people to attend one of our Nation's military academies. The honor of attending a military academy comes with the obligation to serve in the military for a minimum of five years after graduation. I have included more information about the military academy's nomination process on my webpage: [Frequently Asked Questions for those seeking a Military Academy Nomination](#). United States military academies provide undergraduate education and training for commissioned officers in the United States Military. There are five military academies:

- [U.S. Military Academy](#) at West Point, New York
- [U.S. Naval Academy](#) at Annapolis, Maryland
- [U.S. Air Force Academy](#) at Colorado Springs, Colorado
- [U.S. Merchant Marine Academy](#) at Kings Point, New York
- [U.S. Coast Guard Academy](#) at New London, Connecticut

Applicants who seek attendance at a military academy or the Merchant Marine Academy must be nominated. The U.S. Coast Guard Academy does not require a nomination.

Return Completed Application Packet to:

Congressman Raul Ruiz, M.D.
ATTN: Congressional Nomination Application
81719 Doctor Carreon Blvd., Suite G
Indio, CA 92201

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REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Please attach the following documents to the completed application:

- _____ **High School Transcripts.** Official copy of high school transcripts. Please ensure the transcripts include courses currently in progress, your GPA, and rank.
- _____ **Personal Essay.** Essay of 500 words or less, describing why you want to attend a military academy and your goals in military service.
- _____ **SAT or ACT Test Scores.** Please submit official copies of your test scores. To send SAT scores directly to Congressman Raul Ruiz's office, use **code 4473**. To send ACT scores, use **code 7275**.
- _____ **Two letters of recommendation.** Please provide two letters of recommendation from people who know you well and can attest to your educational skills and abilities. The best practice is for at least one letter from a principal, teacher, or coach. Letters should be on institutional letterhead, signed, and in a sealed envelope.
- _____ **Resume.** Please provide a resume detailing your high school extracurricular activities, community service, work experience, and honors/awards.
- _____ **Photograph.** Please provide a photograph (no larger than 4"x 6") of yourself with your name printed on the back.

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1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name

M.I.

Last Name

Street Address

City, State, Zip Code

Date of Birth

Social Security Number

High School Attending

Expected Graduation Date

Preferred Contact Phone number

Email Address

2. PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Names

Street Address

City, State, ZIP Code

Preferred Contact Phone number

Email Address

3. ACADEMY NOMINATION INFORMATION

Please rank 1 thru 4 the military academies for which you are seeking a nomination. If you are not interested in applying to one of the academies, do not rank them.

____ U.S. Air Force Academy

____ U.S. Naval Academy

____ U.S. Military Academy

____ U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

Please indicate with a check mark which schools you have opened an admissions file at.

____ U.S. Air Force Academy

____ U.S. Naval Academy

____ U.S. Military Academy

____ U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

Are you seeking a nomination through another office?

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I hereby confirm that all information provided is correct. I sincerely desire to attend a United States Service Academy. I intend to vigorously pursue an academic course of study if appointed. I understand that a nomination from Congressman Raul Ruiz **does not guarantee** that an appointment will be offered.

I understand the deadline for submitting my completed Application for Nomination is November 3, 2023. If I have not submitted all the requested information before the deadline, I understand that my application may not be given full consideration.

I authorize Congressman Raul Ruiz to use and release my name, photograph, high school, and academy if nominated for official purposes.

Signature

Date